

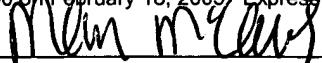


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AMENDMENT

In connection with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, Applicants now address the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification mailed January 26, 2005, and present additional dependent claims. Please amend the above application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include two pages of formal drawings attached hereto.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

Attachments to this amendment include Figure 21 (formal) (1 page) and Figure 52 (formal) (1 page); copy of the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification (2 pages); copy of Transmittal of RCE Application (4 pages).